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In the Application of Rudolf Supe-Dienes

Ser. No.: 09/251,781

Filed: February 17, 1999

For: BLADE HOLDER WITH CUTTING FORCE ADJUSTMENT
INDEPENDENT OF STROKE

Art Unit: 3824

Examiner: Clark Dexter

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
DATED 04/10/01**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action, please consider the following proposed amendment to the above-identified application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

18. A blade holder for cutting machines, said blade holder comprising:
- a blade head secured to a lowering device and comprising a blade head housing having a chamber;
 - said blade head having a blade holding member;
 - a circular blade retained in said blade holding member;
 - an advancing device mounted in said blade head housing;

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